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The Honorable Ron Wyden  
United States Senate  
516 Hart Senate Office Building  
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Dear Senator Wyden

I am writing to you to express support to the F.C.C. for increased competition in the telecommunications industry. More competition will bring broader choice, lower prices, **better** service and exciting new products and services to Oregonians.

I believe increased long distance competition will also generate increased investment in Oregon and further enhance an already favorable business climate for every community in the state. Increased competition will strengthen our local ability to help Senior Citizens manage their telephone bills by encouraging lower costs in telecommunications services. Competitive long distance telecommunications services are essential to the economic success of our community and the prosperity of the entire state of Oregon.

Consumers in some other states where the Federal Communications Commission has improved increased long distance competition, including New York, Texas, Massachusetts, Oklahoma and Kansas. (and now 9 Qwest Western states) are experiencing the benefits and lower prices from the entry of their state's local phone company. We are anxious for Oregon consumers to enjoy the same positive benefits when Qwest is allowed to compete for long distance services.

Therefore, I urge you to encourage the Federal Communications Commission to act quickly when they receive Qwest's application for Oregon and approve the company's entry in the long distance business so that all Oregonians can soon realize the positive benefits of full competition.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

*Florence J. Turner*

Cc: Michael Powell, Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission

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